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Subject: FW: Wilcox Refinery Superfund Site and ODOT Project 29217(04) EW-815 aka 8th St. over Sand Creek, Creek Co., Bristow
Date: Tuesday, October 13, 2015 7:23:38 AM

Fyi – it looks like Commissioner Whitehouse is the County contact.

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Sent: Friday, October 09, 2015 12:17 PM
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Cc: Jeff Pearl; Mark Zishka; James Pruett; Dawn Sullivan; Mark Scott; Matt Casillas
Subject: FW: Wilcox Refinery Superfund Site and ODOT Project 29217(04) EW-815 aka 8th St. over Sand Creek, Creek Co., Bristow

Commissioner Whitehouse,

Here is the information that we discussed about the possible contact from the EPA for possible sampling. I would expect that you will hear from them or the DEQ in the future and that they will probably be on site during the placement of the riprap and the removal of the haul road.

Please let me know if you have any questions

Thanks

Shannon

From: Jeff Pearl
Sent: Friday, October 09, 2015 11:54 AM
To: Shannon Sheffert; Mark Scott; James Pruett
Cc: Dawn Sullivan; Mark Zishka
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All –

As indicated below, EPA has requested the contact information for the County. I'm guessing someone on your end will want to discuss with the County first, so I've attached an access form EPA had previously sent for ODOT to sign, which they'll likely now ask the County to sign. It might help them understand where EPA is going.

If you/they would like me to forward the County contact info to EPA just let me know, or they can just contact Katrina directly (contact info below).

Thanks,

Jeff

From: Coltrain, Katrina [<mailto:coltrain.katrina@epa.gov>]
Sent: Friday, October 09, 2015 7:39 AM
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Cc: Dawn Sullivan; Shannon Sheffert; Mark Zishka; Mark Scott; James Pruett
Subject: RE: Wilcox Refinery Superfund Site and ODOT Project 29217(04) EW-815 aka 8th St. over Sand Creek, Creek Co., Bristow

Jeff, thank you for the update and summary of actions that are planned to take place during the ongoing bridge construction at 8th Street, over Sand Creek, in Bristow, OK. As mentioned in your summary, our concern is related to the potential for coming into contact with and disturbing any oil material that may be present within Sand Creek. Based on your summary, we understand that the principal action is to complete work without coming into contact with the oil material and without compromising the integrity of the bridge. In addition, we understand that there will be some precautions taken during the final stages of construction, including the placement of booms downstream and the presence of an response contractor that will monitor the work and will be prepared to take action if oil material is encountered.

You indicated that you have coordinated with and informed the county of this approach as well as the potential for future coordination with EPA and ODEQ. We are interesting in meeting and talking with the county representatives and request their contact information.

Thank you for coordinating with us as you move forward with your project, and we appreciate the opportunity to observe the work. When the date for this work is finalized, please let us know.

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Subject: Wilcox Refinery Superfund Site and ODOT Project 29217(04) EW-815 aka 8th St. over Sand Creek, Creek Co., Bristow

Katrina and Amy –

ODOT understands evidence of potential contamination was observed at the above Creek County bridge project, for which ODOT is providing administrative oversight and support due to the use of federal funds. Apparent oily material was reportedly observed during installation of the toe ditch for rip rap being placed on the east stream bank, just north of the bridge. Discussions with on-site workers indicate no such material has been observed elsewhere on the project, and that it appears to be limited to the toe/bottom of the stream bank in that area.

As discussed yesterday, due to the short time frame remaining in the referenced project, we plan to move forward with the project, adjusting the work to avoid any further disturbance of the toe/bottom of the stream bank. The construction folks have indicated the two remaining activities of potential concern are the removal of the work road and the subsequent placement of rip rap in

that area. Regarding the work road, the contractor is already required to only remove material placed for the temporary work road. The importance of doing so will be emphasized and closely monitored in the field. Regarding the toe ditch, the design/construction engineers were consulted and have indicated the slope in that area is adequate to place the rip rap without the toe ditch. Therefore, the potential for additional disturbance of the material in question will be minimized.

As an additional precautionary measure, a qualified spill response contractor will be on-site during the above activities, and will deploy a downstream boom as a precaution. The work area and the stream will be monitored for evidence of contamination. If detected, construction activities will be suspended and the changed condition assessed using appropriate field screening methods. Additional sorbent pads, booms, etc. will be deployed as needed to prevent downstream migration. No construction activities will continue in the area of potentially impacted material until an appropriate course of action to address the condition can be developed and discussed with all concerned parties, including EPA and DEQ.

Also as discussed, I understand the right of way in this area is owned by Creek County. Therefore, we have consulted with the County and advised them of the above approach. We have also discussed their potential responsibility moving forward, such as cooperating with EPA and DEQ to the extent that notice may need to be placed in the County file advising of the potential effect on future work in this area. Also, an access agreement will likely be needed to allow EPA and DEQ to collect and analyze samples from the County's right of way.

My understanding is the work road is scheduled to be removed next week. I will follow up with on-site personnel and will provide a firm start date once established.

As always, please feel free to call if you have any questions, comments, concerns, etc. We truly appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

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